2024 BOM, Celebrate April

National Unicorn Day on April 9 is a day to celebrate the most popular mythical creature ever. Why? Because if we don't take time out to celebrate a beautiful, horned, rainbow–printed mythical creature then we're most definitely missing a trick. The unicorn is a symbol of happiness, fantasy, and wonder. (Block is 12" finished)

Dark Fabric:

Cut 4, 3" squares for HST Cut 8, 2 1/2" squares for Flying Geese. Draw a line diagonally on the back of each.

Light Fabric:

Cut 4, 3" squares for HST Cut 8, 2 1/2" squares Cut 4 squares 2 5/8" for center square

Medium:

Cut 1 Square 4 1/2'' for center. This is nice to fussy cut.

Background:

Cut 8, 4 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles.

Center Square

On the back of each of the 2 5/8" light squares, draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. This will be your sewing line. Place a light square on opposite corners of the 4 1/2" center square. Sew on the drawn line and trim it 1/4" away from the sewn line. Repeat with a $2^{nd} 2 5/8$ " square on the opposite corner and trim. Press the corners out. Repeat with the other two 2 5/8" squares on the other two corners. Square up to 4 ½"

Sides:

Take one of the background 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles and lay one of the dark 2 1/2" squares on one half. Sew on the diagonal line and trim 1/4" away from the sewn line. Press out and your piece should look like the second figure. Repeat on the other side with a second 2 1/2"square. Make a total of 4.

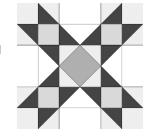
Sew a background 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle to the bottom of each of the flying geese blocks. Finished unit should look like the third figure and measure 4 1/2".

Corner squares

Use the 4, 3" light squares and 4, 3" dark squares to make 8 half square triangle blocks**Assemble into 4, 4 patch units using 2 HST & 2 light 3 1/2" squares.

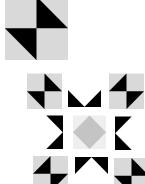
Finishing:

Assemble blocks in rows, 2 rows of 4 patch, FG unit, 4 patch and one row of FG unit, center square and FG unit. Sew the 3 rows together. Be very careful that each unit is turned the right way.









****To make half square triangle blocks**: On the back of the lighter of the fabrics, draw a line diagonally from corner to corner. Then 1/4" on either side of this cutting line, draw 2 stitching lines.

With two squares, right sides together, sew on the two outside stitching lines. Then cut into 2 halves on the line between the two stitching lines. Press out and you will have 2, half square triangle blocks.

